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President's Message

Most of us in Virginia have been tolerating the cold weather, dreaming of summer with the heat, bugs, poison ivy, and humidity. It will be here sooner than we think. I can deal with the cold by wearing more clothes and using more covers on the bed, but I have a difficult time with the heat of deep summer.

The last VNA Board meeting in December 2018, in conjunction with Weyers Cave show went well. VNA board director Richard Schornak has been appointed bourse chair for the 2018 VNA Coin Show and Convention. The VNA has had contact with the US mint and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in hopes they will be participating in the 2018 Convention in September. We are well on the way to increasing the number of dealers for the convention and working on getting a great speaker for the Saturday banquet.

[In November 2017, the VNA was awarded $5000 by the Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society (EPNNES). *EPPNES is making a number of one-time gifts to organizations dedicated to the study and promotion of numismatics. EPNNES desires to acknowledge the work of various national, regional, and specialty groups and to further encourage the pursuit of scholarship and collaboration. Newman was active in many numismatic societies throughout his long collecting career and understood the value of working with fellow collectors and researchers in order to advance the science of numismatics. EPNNES particularly wishes to recognize groups that have freely shared information with the wider numismatic community*. (*Wayne Homren, the E-Sylum*)]

At the December VNA board meeting it was announced that EPPNES gave $5000 to the VNA. The board decided the award will be used solely for numismatic education through John Philips youth programs. I would like to thank the EPNNES for this behest and will be following up with a personal thank you letter. It is my hope that we will be able to get more participation in the educational programs, both as exhibitors and as speakers. John Philips is continuing with the Boy Scout merit badge program, the Home Schoolers day, and the Youth Auctions that were a big hit last year. All are welcome to set up graded and ungraded exhibits and/or present educational programs related to some area of numismatics.

Discussions at the December board included some future electronic innovations of the Virginia Numismatist magazine and are still ongoing. I hope all are safe, well and warm and that we will be seeing you all soon.

Parry Bragg - President

Editor's Corner

In the Summer 2017 Edition, Mike Shutterly wrote an article, ***U.S. Coins Go to War*** (Part 1) that received comment from Bill Eckberg, who has found first-hand accounts of coin deliveries in 1815 / 1816. Michael Shutterly writes: "In my article ***U.S. Coins Go to War*** in the Summer 2017 issue of The Virginia Numismatist, I wrote that "Records indicate the Philadelphia Mint struck 465,500 cents in December 1815, probably using left-over 1814-dated dies to strike these coins." This is the standard explanation given in every standard reference book for why there are no cents dated 1815, even though the Mint had copper planchets on hand to strike cents that year. It turns out that the "standard" is wrong.

Bill Eckberg, Editor Emeritus of The Virginia Numismatist and an expert on these coins, has turned up conclusive evidence that the 465,500 cents were not struck in 1815: they were coined beginning about January 15, 1816, and were delivered to the Treasurer in three installments in February 1816. His research confirms that these cents were dated 1814 and that we can identify them today as the Sheldon (S-295) variety. Bill Eckberg's research is useful not only because it provides new corrective information on an important subject, but also because it points out how "received knowledge" in numismatics can be flat-out wrong (perhaps someone should write an article about that…) What we think we know is always subject to change, because new research (like Bill's), new techniques, and new approaches to a subject can so easily turn everything around. As numismatists, we must always have open – but never empty – minds."

Numismatic Education

Looking forward to the 60th VNA Convention at the Fredericksburg Expo Center in September 2018, we plan to host the Homeschoolers on Sept 21st, the Scouts on Sept 22nd, and all youth in general on both days. Adults may find our educational programs entertaining and informative also. We are assembling coins, books, and collecting materials from donations and from limited purchases. We hope our program will be as successful as in the past.

As a 2017 recap:

On Saturday, Sept 23, 2017, Darrell Tyler and John Philips awarded 28 Boy Scout merit badges (signed blue cards). Special thanks to John Cunningham for calling our first ever VNA youth auction (at our annual convention), with wonderful help from Dave Ellison and his son. Also special thanks to Tom Wood, who gave a captivating Ancient Coins presentation to the Scouts and the youth (and the adults). Our Treasure Hunt Program gave out 3,200 coins to the youth over the VNA event weekend. Special thanks to Billy Hoovler, and all the club volunteers who helped out!

Recent Donors to the VNA youth program include:

- Christopher Bircher (Salem CC) for 8 sets Lincoln 2008-10 commemorative cents and 2003-5 Westward Journey nickels,
- Parry Bragg for coin education Q&A cue cards,
- Homer Cole (RCC & CVCC) for coin collection supplies,
- Mike Beal (RCC) for a large group of Ancient coins,
- Rob Lehman (Reeded Edge) for a large group of silver rounds,
- John Philips (RCC) for $1,000 of VNA Youth Auction cash, and 22 Large Cents, and
- Albert Eskey (RCC) for various numismatic materials, coins, and collectibles.

Thanks to everyone!

John S. Philips - VNA Education Director

Editor's Introduction to The Virginia Halfpence: In *American Coin Treasures and Hoards*, Q. David Bowers, writes: "In February 1774 the ship *Virginia*, under Captain Howard Esten, arrived at the York River with five long tons of new halfpence aboard, equivalent to about 672,000 coins."

In *The Early Coins of America*, in 1875, Sylvester S. Crosby wrote: "…there is so much uncertainty as to whether, or not, these were authorized coins, that we…consider it altogether likely that they were an unauthorized issue. It seems probable that had there been a coin legally struck and issued for Virginia, Thomas Jefferson would have been cognizant of the fact; but he writes in 1782, (Jefferson's Works, Vol 1, p. 136.) "In Virginia, coppers have never been in use." From this it would appear, that whatever their origin, and not withstanding the considerable number of dies represented by them, their use in that State must have been very limited."

THE VIRGINIA HALFPENCE

Roger A Moore MD

In 1773, after a tumultuous century of denied requests by the Virginia colonists begging the British Crown to provide them copper coins, King George III finally approved a request from the Virginia Assembly to have 5 tons of copper minted at the Tower Mint on London into half penny coins for the Virginia colony. The story of this long road leading to the Virginia halfpence is fascinating, but the end result was that in 1775, the coins were available at the Williamsburg treasury for release into general circulation at the outbreak of hostilities. The American Revolution was fomenting and the first battle between British forces and Americans occurred just 50 days following the day Virginia halfpence became available to the public. The history of the development of the Virginia coinage is rich and well documented by contemporaneous records, which for Virginia numismatic enthusiasts will provide hours of interesting reading.

As a numismatist in Virginia, should you add a Virginia halfpenny to your collection? The resounding answer is – yes!!

It has been pointed out by such illustrious numismatists as Eric P. Newman and Jim C. Spillman that the Virginia halfpence are the ONLY coin minted during the 1700's that can be properly called a British/American COLONIAL COIN. No other coin was minted with official, royal approval by the British government, specifically targeted for circulation in its American colonies. So with that special distinction, a numismatist lacking a Virginia halfpenny has a significant hole in their collection, especially for those with a collection oriented toward early American history.

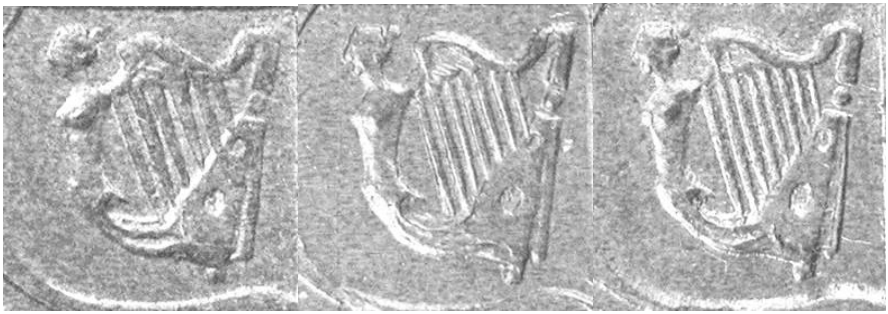
Having established that a Virginia halfpenny should hold a special place in a every coin collection, the choice of which coin to add remains open. At this time there are 30 known varieties of Virginia halfpence but one of the great difficulties that has existed and has served as a blockade in collecting Virginia halfpence by variety is the small and difficult to discern differences between each variety. In addition, the available references for identification of varieties have images that are difficult to see and include a number of errors. The identification problem will be remedied in the near future, by publication of a book on Virginia halfpence, emphasizing attribution and variety identification.

1773 Virginia Halfpenny - Seven Harp Strings - No Dot after "Georgivs"
Variety Newman 7-D

However, if one wants to collect Virginia halfpence by variety, a good starting point is to obtain one of each of the major varieties. Obverses are divided into two groups – those with a point or dot following GEORGIVS in the legend and those without.

Left image shows the “no-point” obverse - The right image shows a “with point” obverse

Reverses are divided into three groups based on the number of harp stings – six, seven, or eight strings.



Images above show harp on left with 6 harp stings, middle with 7 harp strings (most common) and right with 8 harp strings.

Of interest, most of the Virginia halfpence varieties can be obtained in uncirculated condition, but for the more budget conscious collector there are also large numbers of lower grade Virginia halfpence available in internet auctions. In addition, Virginia halfpence have been found by metal detectorists in most of the Mid-Atlantic States with the predominance of the findings in Virginia. So, if you do not want to buy one, you can find one!! Happy Hunting!!!

What Can We Add to A Virginia Half Penny?

Mark Benvenuto

We can take serious pride in numismatics of colonial Virginia, being the only British colony that can lay claim to our own halfpence coin, one that was issued with a royal "okay" prior to the Revolutionary War. "A Guide Book of United States Coins" edited by Ken Bressett (the Red Book) indicates that because the Colonel Cohen Hoard from the late 1800's contained more than two thousand Virginia coppers, we have the only colonial issue that a person might be able to obtain in mint state at an affordable price.

> Editors Note: In *American Coin Treasures and Hoards*, Q. David Bowers, writes: "…possibly in the 1870s, Colonel Mendes Cohen of Baltimore acquired [a wooden keg with] over 2,200 bright, uncirculated specimens of the 1773 Virginia Halfpenny [put away circa 1775]… remaining nearly intact until 1929 when antiques and other items belonging to Bertha Cohen were auctioned in Baltimore…about 2,200 Virginia halfpennies were sold loosely and in bulk, and fetched a few cents each.

Alas for me, the piece I have had for decades is not mint state, although it probably grades as extra fine. I'm glad to have it in my collection, and still make it a point to put it under a magnifying glass from time to time. But there is a problem with any "collection" of only one coin. It seems incomplete, like there simply ought to be more. Since I'm not the type that gravitates to varieties, I don't really want to assemble a set of more and more Virginia half pennies by variety. And the price tag for the larger and much rarer piece, called the "Virginia Penny," is out of my reach. So, what's the copper collector to do?

At first glance, it might seem that we could add any of the early United States half cent pieces to our Virginia half penny. But even a cursory appraisal of any price list shows that a person will have to part with at least a thousand dollars to land U.S. half cents dated before 1800, in grades of fine, or F-12. That strikes me as an expensive proposition. Okay, moving up, the new nation produced large cents in 1793, a couple of decades after the Virginia half penny. Once again though,

the prices for any 1793 cent today appear to be at least as expensive as a house payment. It looks as if both the pre-1800 half cents and cents of the U.S. suffer from the same disease as the pre-1800 silver and gold coinage of the young United States "super-expensiv-itis." This makes me think I'll have to go elsewhere. In a bit of irony, a great place to look when trying to add something relating to the Virginia half penny is back to the copper coins of Great Britain. For centuries, the word "penny" in Great Britain meant a small silver coin. Indeed, the traditional "£/s/d" terms for British money of account meant: pound, shilling, pence. The "d" hearkened all the way back to the denarius of Rome, or at least of Roman Britain – the Roman copper, as it were. But in 1797 something amazing happened. Britain issued a copper penny with the proper penny's worth of copper. A British penny of 1797 can be very affordable, if we're willing to add one with a small amount of wear on it. Uncirculated pieces with no nicks on their rather wide rims do cost somewhat more. But for $25 - $40, a person can land a very good looking British penny to any early copper collection.

But wait, as the folks on late night TV seem to say all too often, there's more. The same year that Britain came out with a large, copper cent, they produced an even larger copper two-pence piece. Sometimes called a "cartwheel," these big coppers are impressive in just about any state of preservation. They are bigger than a U.S. silver dollar, roughly twice as thick, have an amazing heft in the hand, and once again, can be affordable if we are willing to go for a specimen that is less than mint state. Unblemished specimens with no nicks on the rim do tend to be costly, but that's because these big guys were made to be working coins. Despite their size, they were part of the small change of a very big empire.

So, while our Virginia half penny might be a stand-alone item, it isn't too hard to make a trio by adding the first British large copper penny and its bigger sibling, the copper two pence. And from here? Well, it's not too hard to expand this small group to include the British halfpence of 1773, numerous counterfeit halfpence, and token half pence of the era. The Georgian coin series grew throughout the late

18th and early 19th centuries to became an impressive set with the passage of time.

Going in another direction, but still expanding from our Virginia half penny, we might look at half cents and large cents of the United States, specifically at those minted after the year 1800. From that year until the demise of the half cent and the reduction of the large cent to the current smaller size in 1857, there are plenty of coppers from which to choose, and the prices drop from the insane levels we often see for early U.S. coins.

A third option we might want to take, in adding to a solitary Virginia half penny might be any of the pre-Federal U.S. coppers. They are the products of state government during a fascinating time before we had a federal Mint up and running. Many of them were made in relatively small quantities. That may make them expensive today. As mentioned, I've had that one good-looking Virginia half penny in my collection for decades now, and yet it is still fun to admire, study, and learn about. It can also be the start for bigger collections of coppers, whether they are British regal, counterfeit, tokens, pre-Federal states coppers, or U.S. half cents.

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2018 CALENDAR OF VNA COIN CLUB SHOWS

Free Admission to All VNA Shows

March 10, 2018 - **Winchester Coin Club Show.**
Saturday 9:30 AM-4:00 PM. Frederick County Fairgrounds, Stonewall Ruritan Building, 136 Fairground Road, Clearbrook, VA 22624. Featuring 32 tables of US & World Coins and Currency. ANACS Grading Service will be onsite and will be taking submissions for grading and authentication. Contacts: Doug and Ginny Bowers Cell: 540-335-7287 Email: bottles@shentel.net

Plan for a future Winchester show on September 8, 2018.

April 6, 7, and 8, 2018 - **Shenandoah Valley Coin Club Coin & Stamp Show**. Friday, 12:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Saturday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Sunday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Weyers Cave Community Center, Weyers Cave, VA. (I-81, Exit 235, Two miles East on Hwy. 256). Bourse Chair: Todd Olney, Phone: 757-570-0013. Email: svccshow@gmail.com. See website: http://svccshow.info

Plan for a future Shenandoah Valley show on November 30–Dec 2, 2018.

April 14, 2018 - **Monticello Coin Club Show.**
Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Charlottesville Elks Lodge, 389 Elk Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22901. Bourse Chair: Jackie Dean, 540-832-0024. Email:Debomb14@aol.com. Monticello Coin Club, P.O. Box 5858, Charlottesville, VA 22905. Drawing every two hours. Final drawing for $5.00 gold piece.

May 4 - 6, 2018 - **Richmond Annual Spring Coin & Currency Show.**
Friday 10:00AM-6:00PM, Saturday 10:00AM-6:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM-3:00PM. **NEW LOCATION**: ACCA Shriners, 1712 Belleview Avenue, Richmond, VA 23227. Email Bill Scott at woscott1@gmail.com. Phone: 804-350-1140. www.richmondcoinclub.com

Plan for the Fall Richmond show on October 19 - 21, 2018.

May 19–20, 2018 – **Salem / Roanoke Valley Coin Club Show.**
Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM, Sunday 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM. American Legion Hall, 710 Apperson Drive, Salem, VA. Free Admission, Free parking, Good food. Contact Will Camp, P.O. Box 283, Fishersville, VA 22939 Phone: 540-943-2267.

Plan for a future Salem show on November 10-11, 2018.

October 6 - 7, 2018 – **Virginia Beach Coin Show / Tidewater Coin Club.**
Saturday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, and Sunday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Contact John Kolos, Phone 757-331-1530. Email: john.kolos1790@gmail.com and see website: www.tidewatercoinclub.org.

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Plan for future Annandale shows on July 21 – 22, 2018, Dec 8 – 9, 2018, March 9 – 10, 2019, July 20 – 21, 2019, and Dec 8 – 9, 2019.

March 11, 2018 - **Annapolis Coin and Currency Show.**
Sunday 9:00 AM-4:30 PM. The Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater/Annapolis, MD 21037. Carl Ostiguy, CEO Coins, P.O. Box 92, Savage,

MD 20763. Phone: 443-623-7025, Email: www.ceocoins@comcast.net, or visit www.coinshows.com

Plan for future Annapolis shows on June 10, 2018, September 16, 2018, and November 25, 2018.

March 16-18, 2018 - **Williamsburg Coin, Stamp, Postcard & Paper Money Sale.**
Friday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 (Dealer setup), Public admitted at 12:00 - 6:00 PM, Saturday, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Sunday, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 515 Bypass Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185-2926. Coins, Paper Money, Stamps, Postcards, Stocks and Bonds, Civil War items, Jewelry, Gold and Silver Bullion & Sports Cards, too! 50 tables Call Barry Ciciola. 1-919-477-9703 (store) or 7-919656-3265 (Cell)

April 21, 2018 - **Norfolk Coin Show.**
Saturday, 9:00 AM-4:30 PM. VFW Post 4809, 5728 Bartee Street, Norfolk, VA, 23502. Free Admission. 40 Tables. Free drawings for door prizes throughout the day. Contact Rusty Williams, P.O. Box 12403, Norfolk, VA 23541. Phone: 757-363-0179.

Plan for future Norfolk shows on June 9, 2018, Sept 8, 2018, and Nov 17, 2018.

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Plan for future Frederick shows on November 17 – 18, 2018, February 23 – 24, 2019, May 18 – 19, 2019, and November 16-17, 2019.

October 5 - 7, 2018 - **Ocean City Maryland Coin and Currency Show.**
(Dealer Set Up Friday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM). Show hours: Friday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Sunday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.
Ocean City Maryland Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway& 40th Street. 21842. Carl Ostiguy, CEO Coins, P.O. Box 92, Savage, MD 20763. Phone: 410-379-5646. Email: ceocoins@comcast.net

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THE MONEY $TORE

WANTED: Any information on Bonds issued by Virginia Counties during the Civil War (1861 – 1865). We are trying to compile as complete a listing as possible. Please send information to either Neil Hening at rnhening@gmail.com or Bob Tharpe at rwtharpe@comcast.net

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WANTED: City of Richmond Tokens as seen in *Virginia Tokens* by David Schenkman type "M" - Joe Demos / Hat Cleaner / 1107 Hull St. and type "O" - J. Dracos & Co / Hat Cleaners / 814 E. Main St. Please contact Ted at ttmrarecoins@gmail.com or 757 621-0700

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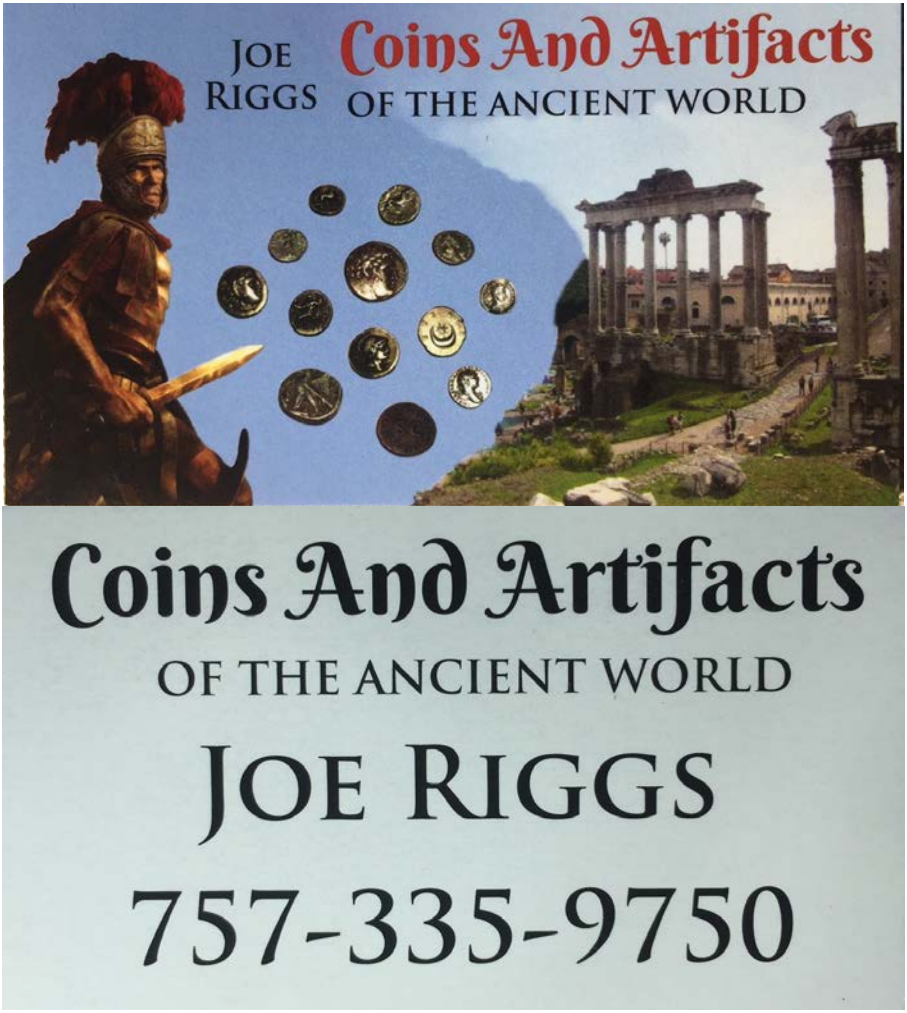

VNA MEMBER CLUBS

ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB, Meets at 7:00 PM on 3rd Wednesdays at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson St. Alexandria, VA 22314. Contact: Joel Cherry, Joel.cherry@cox.net, 703-876-9450, Website: alexandriacoinclub.org

CENTRAL VIRGINIA COIN CLUB, Meets at 6:30 PM (5:00 PM for dinner) on 3rd Tuesdays at Dante's Pizzeria, 2900 Cedar Lane, Colonial Heights (Phone 804 520-8292). Contact: Bob Hicks, Email: hicksrg@aol.com. Website: centralvirginiacoinclub.org

COVINGTON COIN CLUB. Meets 6:30 PM, 3rd Mondays at City Hall, 333 W. Locust St., Covington, VA. Contact: Ken Headley, 830 White Oak Dr., Covington, VA 24426, 540-962-9491 Email: kheadley@ntelos.net

CULPEPER COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM, 1st Wednesday at Luigi's, 235 Southgate Shopping Center, Culpeper, VA 22701. Contact: Thom O'Connell, (540) 829-1050.

FAIRFAX COIN CLUB. (NEW!) Meets at 7:00 PM on 2nd Tuesdays at the Reston Community Center, Room 6, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston, VA 20191. Contact: Pat Flynn at Email: fairfaxcoinclub@gmail.com Website: www.fairfaxcoinclub.com

LYNCHBURG COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 3rd Mondays at Scarlett's Gallery, Main Street Antique Mall, 1026 Main St. (Downtown), Lynchburg, VA. Contact Thomas Wood, (434) 528-0488, coindink@hotmail.com

MONTICELLO COIN CLUB. Meets on last Tuesday of the month at 5:00 PM for dinner with meeting/auction at 6:30 PM. Location: Elk's Club, 389 Elk Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22911. Contact: Jackie Dean, (540) 832-0024, Email: Debomb14.aol.com

PIEDMONT COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 3rd Tuesdays at the Volunteer Fire Dept., 205 John Redd Blvd, Collinsville, VA 24078. Contact: Ralph Brammer, P.O. Box 418, Collinsville, VA 24078. (276)-647-7411

RAPPAHANNOCK AREA COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 3rd Thursdays at Scafa's Italian Restaurant, 10349 Courthouse Road, Mill Garden Plaza, Spotsylvania, VA 22553. Phone: (540) 891-1341. Contact: Billy Hoovler, rubberhook1@aol.com, 540-785-7188. Website: www.racceteer.com

RICHMOND COIN CLUB. Meets at 6:30 PM (5:00 PM for dinner) on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Pickle Barrel, 12912 Plaza Drive, Manakin-Sabot, Va 23103. This new location is right off I-64. Contact: William Scott, P.O. Box 31752, Henrico, VA 23294, 804-350-1140, woscott1@verizon.net, Website: richmondcoinclub.com

SALEM COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 3rd Mondays at the American Legion Hall, 710 Apperson Drive, Salem, VA 24153. Contact Emmett Yonce, P.O. Box 512, Daleville, VA 24083, 540-992-5331.

SHENANDOAH VALLEY COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 2nd Mondays at the Augusta County Government Center, Verona, Va. Contact Pete Shiflett, shiflerg@ntelos.net 540 290-5933. Email: SVCCSHOW@gmail.com See us on Facebook.

TIDEWATER COIN CLUB. Meets on 3rd Tuesdays (Starting in 2018) at 7:30 PM *(No meeting in December)* at the VFW Hall # 4809, (near Toys-R-Us on Military Circle) 5728 Bartee Street, (next to Toys-R-Us at Military Circle), Norfolk, VA Contact Fran Ryan, P.O. Box 5247, Virginia Beach, VA 23471. Website: www.tidewatercoinclub.org or webmaster@tidewatercoinclub.org

VIRGINIA PENINSULA COIN CLUB. Meets 3rd Mondays at 7:00 PM (6:00 PM for dinner) at Angelo's Steak and Pancake House, 755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd., Newport News, VA. Contact David Kurtz, 102 Spinnaker Way, Williamsburg, VA 23185. Phone: 757-345-5559

WARRENTON STAMP & COIN CLUB. Meets at 7:00 PM on 1st Thursday at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 6194 Dumfries Rd. Warrenton, VA 20187. Contact: Tony Tripi, 540-347-2567, Email: tripi@earthlink.net.

WASHINGTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Meets on 3rd Sundays at 7:30 PM (No meeting in July and August) at the Community Church of Christ, 3526 Mass. Av. NW, Washington, D.C. Contact: Simcha Kuritzky, P.O. Box 13504, Silver Spring, MD 20911 Phone: (301) 585-1029, Website: wns.anaclubs.org

WINCHESTER COIN CLUB. Meets at 6:30 PM (5:00 PM for dinner) on 2nd Mondays at the Holiday Inn Historic Gateway, 333 Front Royal Pike, Winchester, VA 22602. Contact Doug & Ginny Bowers, (540) 335-7287. Email: bottles@shentel.net

Not affiliated with VNA: **Ancient Numismatic Society of Washington D.C**., Various meeting locations announced in their newsletter, Contact Michael Mehalick, Phone: 301 552-2214, Email: genioavgvsti@comcast.net Website: http://answ.ancients.info

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Sunday, March 11, 2018, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

The Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater/Annapolis, MD 21037

Plan for future Annapolis shows on June 10, 2018, September 16, 2018, and November 25, 2018

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Saturday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM and 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Sunday

Ocean City (Roland E. Powell) Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, Maryland 21842 (at 40th Street)

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Saturday / Sunday, May 19 – 20, 2018

Saturday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM and Sunday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Frederick Elks Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, Maryland 21702

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